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RE: Policy 63.71 Application for
Open Range Communication Inc.

Dear Sir:

I recently received a letter from my home phone and internet provider stating that they were going to request from the Federal Communications Commission to discontinue service. First of all, I have never heard of such a situation and secondly, I am writing in support of a refusal to discontinue service.

I obtained this service about four months ago, after searching for an affordable alternative provider. The fact is there is no affordable alternative. The economic situation of today makes the everyday essentials out of reach. Open Range has been such an alternative.


I am a sixty-one year old, limited income Cancer survivor with very limited income. A denial of continued service will undoubtedly, result in additional financial hardship. I have experienced more than one calendar year of unemployment and I have just recently been selected for a position, with a considerably reduced salary and am making progress toward financial stability. Companies now require credit checks and deposits for new services. Going back to my former carrier would require the upgraded digital services with a higher price tag.

Trying to maintain the basic communications needs has been difficult. Eliminating the competition does not help. The big fish is eating up the smaller ones. This is not the "American way" where there is opportunity and options for everyone.

Therefore, this is my formal objection to discontinuance of service by Open Range based on the higher alternative for the same services and the financial hardship it would cause.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely


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